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Re:

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**Thereof** 

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Supplemental Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111;
- 2. Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 by Adriana Bravo;
- 3. Curriculum vitae of Adriana Bravo; and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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